THE LAST SNAKE.

Near the beautiful lakes of Killarney. says a traveler in Ireland, lies the gap Frenchman to have a Chicago woman of Dunloe, a rugged valley between two wild mountains. At the foot of one is the pool where the lovely Colleen Bawn was drowned by Danny Mann; or oval shaped, with a long, tortuous, surpentine outlet. On a great flat rock close by its margin I rested and listen-to our guide, Captain Doyle, as he call-ed himself, while he reported to us St. Patrick's final snake killing:

"The great serpent, the last of his race, had his stronghold in the gap of Dunloe. One bright Sunday morning his reverences." St. Petrick race, had his stronghold in the gap of Dunloe. One bright Sunday morning his reverence, St. Patrick, came up to visit the gap, and he met the serpent at the Black lake.

What is the principal difference detween the swallow and the cat? It is an admitted fact that "one swallow does not make a summer," but one

'Good morning', St. Patrick,' says "Good mornin,' kindly,' says St.

"Well, says the serpent, will you lave me the gap o' Dunloe, and have all the rest of the country to yourself." "No,' says St. Patrick; 'I must have the gap o' Dunloe along with the rest; but I'll give you an elegent iron box, so I will, for you to live in, in place of this dirty, nasty gap o' Dunloe,' says

St. Datelob

"Done for a wager,' says the ser-" 'Done for a wager,' says St. Patrick. 'I'll find that same box you's alludin'

"But what shall the wager be?' says the serpent.
" 'Pil hold you a gallon of porther,'

says St. Patrick, 'and we'll drink it to-"Which is agreeable to me,' says ed a great iron box, and the serpent looked into it and laughed.

"'Oh, hark,' says he, 'me body'll never git into it.' 'Come here, man, and try,' says St. "Well, St. Patrick was so persuadin'

that the serpent wint into the box.
"'Faith, an' I could never fix myself into it,' says the serpent, drawing him-self back, 'an I told ye the same, so I tion of different Roads to " 'Take another chance,' says St. Pat-

"'An' it's the last time I'll cramp

"His reverence was looking on all son. the time admiring, and when he saw the serpent nearly in he slips behind the box and claps the top down onto the sintul crayture's tail. Patrick,' said the serpent; 'I'll pay you a gallon of porther like a man, indade

time a 'heavin' the big iron box into the Black lake.

"And iver since, at six o'clock in the mornin', they say you can hear the ser-pent a moanin' an' askin' from the bot-tom of the lake, 'when will to-morrow 49tf come?" But to-morrow never came and I suppose it never will, and iver ince this is called 'the Black lake.'

CENTENNIAL.

done everything that could be expected of them. They have sent incomparably the finest display of porcelain in the exhibition. It occupies the place of honor in the grand circle under the center arch of the main building, and does great greatly to the Kennet Butter, Eggs, Hides, Tallow, Beesdern done of the main building, and does great greatly to the Kennet Butter, Eggs, Hides, Tallow, Beesdern done of the main building, and does great credit to the Konigl. Porzellan Manufactur, by which it is ex-hibited. There is a well founded sus-cash at the Red Front, where goods are picion that two of the principal vases were exhibited at Paris and Vienna, but of course this does not detract from their merit. The principal piece, which, it may be well to state, can be bought for six thousand dollars in gold, is a vase fully three feet high. It is ornamented with a superbly executed reproduction of one of Raphael's masterpieces. "Aurora." The original, it will be remembered, is one of the principal attractions of the Dresden of the stand. The traditional figure is in the middle, and is supported on the left by a group of warriors and ancient implements of war, and on the right by a German soldier and sailor clad in the uniform of the present. The entire picture is intended to represent the progress and victories of the German The Centennial Campaign. armles. One of the most attractive pieces in the collection, and one that excites the universal admiration of critics, is a vase upon which appears a perfectly-executed reproduction of Kaulbach's fresco of Otto the Fowler visiting the tomb of Carl der Grosse. The figures are exceedingly life-like, and the coloring is simply perfect. The price of this vase is nine hundred dollars in gold, and everything considered, it is the cheapest one in the collection. The slight attention which I am able to give to the subject in this letter does not in any way do justice to the truly magnificent display made by the Konigl. Porzellau Manufactur. The exhibit gives evidence of a desire to do honor to the Centonnial Exhibition and to the American people, which is in marked contrast to the mistaken idea of American taste and knowledge shown by Berlin bronze manufacturers. The thanks of Americans and of German citizens of America are due to the

mammoth structure of the Main Buil- Ribbons and Belts, ing, the visitor finds its antithesis in a contracted, outlandish-looking habitation, which was opened yesterday for the first time. This is the Moorish villa, from Tangiers, that somnolent country so ludicrously described by Mark Twain in his "Innocents Abroad." It is not over twelve feet in height and about the same in width, painted with very dull counterparts of all the colors Shocs, Hals and Calls. of the rainbow. The perpendicular In fact, we are calling your attention cornice is, in form, a combination of to a larger stock and a greater variety a red ribbon and a picket fence. The door is hardly high enough for a fullgrown man to enter without removing any other house in Holt county. his hat, and the windows are no larger than a primary school slate, but the little vestibule, the walls, the ceiling, and the floor of the curious play-house in exchange for goods, and are deterate well worth the curious play-house in exchange for goods, and are deterate. are well worth the closest study. mined to sell our wares as cheap as Every inch of space is inlaid or covany one doing a legitimate business. ered with moresque decorations, so intricate in their intersecting lines. We respectfully ask you to give us a that it would puzzle a photographer to reproduce them. The half dozen individuals who superintend this exotic residence are equally strange and interesting, their customs being half Arabic and half Turkish, and their laces of that noble, but intelligent and large quantities, and can offer extra in and so elaborate in their ornamentation trial. For Sale Cheap.

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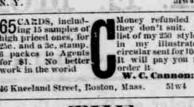
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